COLORADO NURSING FACILITY CULTURE CHANGE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD

C/O COLORADO CULTURE CHANGE COALITION 8200 S. QUEBEC STREET, #A3-176 CENTENNIAL, CO 80112

February 5, 2010

Subject: Call for Proposals for Civil Money Penalty Distribution Grants

To: All Stakeholders

BACKGROUND: The legislature in House Bill 09-1196 has directed this Board to commit \$200,000 from the Nursing Home Penalty Cash Fund before 30 June 2010 toward measures that will improve the quality of life for residents in Colorado nursing facilities.

PURPOSES: To outline procedures for stakeholders to submit proposals . To provide criteria and form(s) for submitting proposals.

PROCEDURES:

- 1. Forms for submitting applications for funds are available at the above address and on the web at www.coculturechange.org.
- 2. Forms must be submitted to the above address no later than March 30, 2010.
- 3. Submissions must address the top three criteria listed below and all applicable sections on the application in order to be considered.

CRITERIA:

- 1. Project must have a continuing and long-term beneficial effect on the quality of life of residents in nursing facilities even when additional CMP funds are not available.
- 2. Project must have a measurable impact and include a plan for measuring the results in quantifiable terms and results must be submitted to the Colorado Culture Change Accountability Board.
- 3. Project must stimulate resident quality of care and quality of life in a way that can be replicated.
- 4. Project may also include the following even though they have only an indirect effect on the quality of life of residents in nursing facilities.
 - a. Consumer education to promote resident-centered care.
 - b. Training for state surveyors, supervisors, and the state and local long-term health care ombudsman regarding resident-centered care.
 - c. Development of a newsletter and web site detailing information on residentcentered care.
 - d. Education and consultation for identifying and implementing residentcentered care initiatives.
- 5. For nursing facilities applying for funds, past survey performance will be considered as a selection factor.

FORMS: Application form attached.